GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1889
ANSWERED ON:03.08.2000
REVIEW OF RAILWAY PROJECTS
PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have constituted any Committee to review the on-going railway projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the public representatives have also been appointed in the said review Committee; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) to (d) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENTREFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a)TO (d) O F LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1889 FO 3.8.2000 ASKED BY SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL REGARDING REVIEW OF RAILWAY PROJECTS.

(a) & (b) : To bring about closer interaction with the State Governments in the matter of progress of Railway projects in respective States, it has been decided to earmark Nodal Officers of the Railways for each of the States.

This Nodal Officer would maintain close liaison with the State Governments mainly in respect of :

(i) Facilitating better coordination between the Indian Railways and the State Governments regarding proper implementation of on-going Railway projects and for developing appropriate proposals for new projects in various States.

(ii) Enlisting required administrative and other assistance; from the State Governments with regard to expeditious completion of sanctioned projects specially in the areas of faster land acquisition.

(iii)Ensuring participation of the State Governments and funding of rail projects.

(iv) Developing a coordinated approach for arranging funding for ROBs and RUBs and manning/closure of level crossing gates. Facilitating availability of MPLAD funds for manning of level crossings.

(v) Coordinating security related issues on the Railways with various State Governments.

(vi) Assisting State Governments in developing and comprehensive inter-modal transport infrastructure.

Various State Governments have shown increasing involvement in expeditious implementation of Railway projects. With the objective as enlisted above, Nodal Officers from Railways are being appointed and State Governments are being approached to nominate their respective Nodal Officers to interact with the designated Railways Officers for each State.

(c) No Sir

(d) Does not arise.